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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re Application of:**

Vernon M. Williams

**Serial No.:** 09/511,986

**Filed:** February 24, 2000

**For:** STEREOLITHOGRAPHICALLY  
FABRICATED CONDUCTIVE  
ELEMENTS, SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE  
COMPONENTS AND ASSEMBLIES  
INCLUDING SUCH CONDUCTIVE  
ELEMENTS, AND METHODS

**Confirmation No.:** 6129

**Examiner:** O. Nadav

**Group Art Unit:** 2811

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**PETITION TO WITHDRAW THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT  
37 C.F.R. §1.181**

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to invoke the supervisory authority of the Commissioner, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.181, to withdraw the Patent Office's holding of abandonment in the above-captioned patent application.

STATEMENT OF FACTS AND POINTS TO BE REVIEWED

On May 6, 2002, the Patent Office mailed a non-final Office Action in the above-captioned patent application. On August 6, 2002, Applicant responded, by Express Mail, to the Office Action of May 6, 2002. On January 24, 2003, Applicant filed a Status Inquiry, and then on January 29, 2003, Applicant filed a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicant then received the Notice of Abandonment mailed February 11, 2003. The Notice of Abandonment lists the reason for abandonment as "Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 06 May 2002," and that "No reply has been received."

A copy of the Notice of Abandonment is enclosed. Also enclosed are copies of documents filed August 6, 2002, including: Transmittal Form, Amendment, Letter to Chief Draftsman and copy of FIGS. 4, 7, 9, 12 and 13 with changes made in red; Transmittal of Formal Drawings; and Formal Drawings (7 sheets). Additionally, a copy of the date-stamped return postcard is enclosed.

No fee for this petition to the Commissioner is required under 37 C.F.R. 1.181(d), as indicated by MPEP §711.03(c).

Applicant respectfully submits that this action is timely filed, as the Notice of Abandonment complained of was mailed by the Patent Office on February 11, 2003 and Applicant has filed this petition within two months of the date of the Notice of Abandonment.

Applicant respectfully requests that the information cited on the PTO/SB/08 be made of record herein. Should the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement have failed for some reason to have been entered in the Office file, Applicant's undersigned attorney will be happy to have a true copy thereof hand-delivered to the Examiner.

**Conclusion**

Applicant respectfully submits that the holding of abandonment in the above-captioned patent application should be withdrawn, as the Patent Office did not respond to Applicant's timely filed amendment. Accordingly consideration of this petition and withdrawal of the holding of abandonment at an early date are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures: Copy of Notice of Abandonment mailed February 11, 2003  
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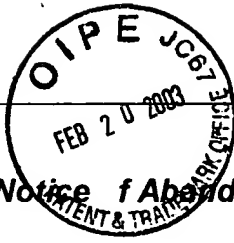
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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.



# Notice of Abandonment

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Applicant(s)

WILLIAMS, VERNON M.

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

This application is abandoned in view of:

1. ☒ Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 06 May 2002.
  - (a) ☐ A reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of \_\_\_\_\_ month(s)) which expired on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b) ☐ A proposed reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection.  
(A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).
  - (c) ☐ A reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_ but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 7 below).
  - (d) ☒ No reply has been received.
2. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
  - (a) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
  - (b) ☐ The submitted fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is insufficient. A balance of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is due.  
The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$\_\_\_\_\_. The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$\_\_\_\_\_.
  - (c) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.
3. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).
  - (a) ☐ Proposed corrected drawings were received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.
  - (b) ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.
4. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants.
5. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application.
6. ☐ The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on \_\_\_\_\_ and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.
7. ☐ The reason(s) below:

Tom Thomas

Petitions to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b), or requests to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, should be promptly filed to minimize any negative effects on patent term.